



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Masaharu MURAMATSU)
U.S. Application No.: 09/974,817) Group Art Unit: 2822
Filed: October 12, 2001) Examiner: K. Pierre
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE)

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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AMENDMENT

In response to the nonfinal Office Action dated April 1, 2002 (Paper No. 2), the period for response to which has been extended through August 1, 2002, by a Petition for Extension of Time and fee concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1 and 3 to read as follows:

1. (Amended) A semiconductor device comprising:

a first back-illuminated semiconductor image pickup element, having a front and a back and a first photosensitive region which is closer to said front than said back thereof; and

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a second semiconductor image pickup element also having a front and a back and a second photosensitive region which is closer to said front than back thereof, said second semiconductor image pickup element being made of a semiconductor material different from that of said first back-illuminated semiconductor image pickup element,